

This week, Radio Mersey Waves and Central Radio International have been joined by one of the mysterious local FM stations who are frequently reported but not heard here!

**RADIO MERSEY WAVES 1242kHz: 9, Meadfoot Road, Moreton, Wirral, Merseyside L46 7UW.**

On Monday, although the carrier was on the air by 7:30am, it was not modulated till 9:45am when Mark Newman said that they had overslept, but they had experienced problems with the studio locks and also with the transmitter. As Dave Collins was away on other business, they operated a revised schedule. Heard were:- 9:45am-11am Mark Newman; 11am-3pm DJC; 3pm-5pm Alan Bates; 5pm-7pm Paul James; 7pm-9pm Edward Bear; 9pm-10pm Mark Newman; 10pm-Midnight Tony Coltrane; Midnight-1am Dave Collins; 1am-3am DJC.

On Friday, with new DJ Peter Thomas filling the 3am-8am slot, the station was announcing 24-hour operation, and heard were:- 8am-11am Dave Collins; 11am-1pm DJC; 1pm-4pm Martin Miller; 4pm-7pm Mark Newman; 7pm-10pm Tara; 10pm-Midnight Tony Coltrane; Midnight-1am Dave Collins; 1am-3am DJC; 3am-8am Peter Thomas. The Saturday line-up was not completely noted but heard were:- 8am-10am Dave Collins; 10am-Noon Tony Coltrane; Noon-2pm Mark Newman; 2pm-4pm DJC; 4pm-6pm Mark Wright; 6pm-8pm Tara; 8pm-10pm Martin Miller; 10pm-Midnight Mark Newman; Midnight-1am Dave Collins; 1am-3am DJC; 3am-8am Peter Thomas. On Sunday the station had a few problems. The line-up was: 8am-11am Dave Collins; 11am-1pm Wayne Scott; 1pm - 3pm Paul Jay; 3pm-5pm continuous music in place of Burt Williams; 5pm-7pm DJC; 7pm-8pm continuous music; 8pm-9:40pm carrier only; 9:40pm-10pm modulation tests; 10pm-Midnight Mark Newman. The remainder of the schedule is believed to have been:- Midnight-1am Keith the Chief; 1am-3am DJC and 3am-8am Peter Thomas.

CENTRAL R. INT 1404kHz; 18, Glynne Street, Orrell, Bootle, Merseyside L20 6DF.

Announcements from the station suggest that they may now be operating on Fridays, but this weekend they weren't heard until 10am sign-on on Saturday, when the line-up was:-  
10am-Noon Jim Lowe; Noon-2pm Jim Browne; 2pm-4pm Phil Davies; 4pm-6pm Tom Webb; 6pm-9pm John Sanderson and 9pm-Midnight(?) Jeff Thompson. The schedule on Sunday seems to have been the same except that Jim Lowe and Jim Browne exchanged hours. The station say that Rick Dane will be joining them from next weekend and that within the next couple of months they hope to go on to 7-day operation. At various times on Sunday they announced a parallel FM frequency, but for details see below.

CONCEPT RADIO 104.3MHz: No mailing address heard.

On Sunday, Jim Browne sent greetings to Concept Radio, saying that they could be heard 8(?)am-Midnight in North Wirral. Nothing was heard here until 1:35pm, when the station heard on the frequency was Central Radio Int, with Jim Lowe announcing a parallel frequency of 104.3MHz to 1404kHz. Apart from a few breaks in transmission, CRI occupied the FM frequency till 6pm. During the Tom Webb Show on Central Radio, it was revealed that Concept Radio is Jim Lowe and Tom Webb. He said that they would be relaying CRI till 6pm, then relaying the BBC Radio-1 charts between 6pm and 7pm, after which they would be running their own programmes till Midnight. It is thought that the line-up was Jim Lowe 7pm-9:30pm and Tom Webb 9:30pm-Midnight, but this wasn't confirmed. The choice of frequency is poor as Signal Radio put in such a good signal. During the afternoon it is necessary to "loop-out" Signal Radio to the utmost in order to hear Concept Radio, which is then heard above a very hissy background and with a lot of breakthrough from Signal's American Top 40 Show. After dark, Concept's signal is much stronger and is heard with the antenna pointed right at Signal Radio.

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